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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

Ernesto B. Curras, M.D.
License No. MA45794

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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: Administrative Action
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: CONSENT ORDER
: OF
: RESTRICTED LICENSE
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) upon receipt of information from the New York State Department of Health, State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, (New York Board), which revealed that on or about June 26, 2003, the New York Board filed a non-disciplinary order placing conditions on the license of Ernesto B. Curras, M.D., (Respondent), to practice medicine for an indefinite period of time, following an investigation of allegations of professional misconduct concerning his care and treatment of a patient in New York. Respondent presently has an active license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey.

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Pursuant to the non-disciplinary order filed by the New York Board on or about June 26, 2003, Respondent agreed to conduct himself in all ways in a manner befitting his professional status, and conform fully to the moral and professional standards of conduct and obligations imposed by law and by his profession. He also agreed to submit written notification to the New York State Department of Health, including a full description of any employment and practice, professional and residential addresses and telephone numbers within or without New York State, and any and all investigations, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility, within thirty days of each action. Respondent further agreed to fully cooperate in every respect with the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) in its administration and enforcement of the Order and in its investigation of Respondent; to maintain legible and complete medical records that accurately reflect the evaluation and treatment of patients; and to submit to review by the Director of OPMC. Respondent additionally agreed to have a restriction on his license prohibiting further practice in the area of surgery, except that Respondent may continue to perform the following procedures: incision and drainage of boils and superficial abscesses, aspiration of superficial abscesses or cysts, suturing of lacerations of the skin and superficial fascia, shave excision and/or fulguration of growths of the skin, and temporary splinting of fractures. Respondent finally agreed to sign and submit to the

Director of OPMC a Practice Restriction Declaration; to cause the administrator(s) of all hospitals and other health care facilities with which Respondent is affiliated to submit a letter to the Director of OPMC attesting to Respondent's compliance with the specified restriction(s) at each location; to be solely responsible for all costs of compliance with the Order; and to provide access for DOH personnel to Respondent's office to verify compliance with the Order.

The Board and Respondent seek to resolve this matter without resort to further proceedings, and the Board finding that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public health and safety, and for good cause shown;

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 24th day of October, 2006,
ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey shall be and hereby is restricted to prohibit further practice in the area of surgery, except that Respondent may continue to perform the following procedures: incision and drainage of boils and superficial abscesses, aspiration of superficial abscesses or cysts, suturing of lacerations of the skin and superficial fascia, shave excision and/or fulguration of growths of the skin, and temporary splinting of fractures.

2. Respondent shall submit written notification to William Roeder, Executive Director, State Board of Medical Examiners, P.O.

Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183, including a full description of any employment and practice, or changes in employment and practice, professional and residential addresses and telephone numbers within or without the State of New Jersey, and institution of any and all investigations, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility, within ten (10) days of any changes and of each action.

3. Respondent shall maintain legible and complete medical records that accurately reflect the evaluation and treatment of patients.

4. Respondent shall cause the administrator(s) of all hospitals and other health care facilities or practices with which Respondent is affiliated to submit a letter within thirty (30) of the filing date of this Order, to William Roeder, Executive Director, State Board of Medical Examiners, P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183 attesting to Respondent's compliance with the specified restriction(s) at each location.

5. Respondent shall submit written notification to William Roeder, Executive Director, State Board of Medical Examiners, P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183, thirty (30) days prior to actively starting the practice of medicine at any New Jersey location, providing the details of the planned practice.

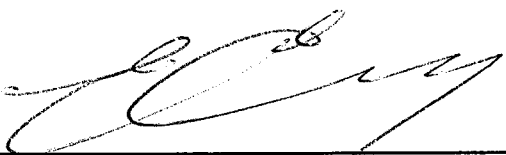
6. Respondent shall fully cooperate in every respect with the Board in its administration and enforcement of this Order.

7. Respondent's failure to comply with this Order constitutes professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21.

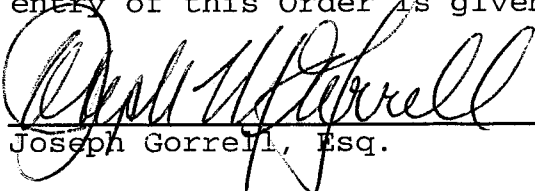
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By: Sindy Paul, M.D.
Sindy Paul, M.D., Board President

I have read and understand the terms of the within Order and agree to be bound by the terms. I hereby give my consent to the entry of this Order.


Ernesto B. Curras, M.D.

Consent as to the form and entry of this Order is given.


Joseph Gorrell, Esq.

